

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant Major Robert E. Schmitz's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant Major Schmitz has devoted over 34 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a soldier and a leader, with service in Chamberlain, Platte, Pierre, and Rapid City, holding positions of responsibility, such as the Operations Sergeant, Strength Maintenance NCOIC, and Recruiting and Retention Sergeant Major; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant Major Schmitz continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant Major Robert E. Schmitz for more than 34 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

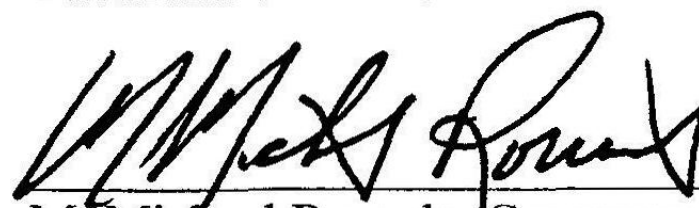
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2005, as

SERGEANT MAJOR ROBERT E. SCHMITZ DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighteenth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State